# 2012 Consumer Confidence Report Toyon Park Water System LLC

PO Box 608, Valley Springs, CA

We're pleased to present to you this year's annual Consumer Confidence Report. This report is designed to inform you about the quality water and services we deliver to you every day. Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We are committed to ensuring the quality of your water. Our water source consists of 2 wells located on the property.

If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water utility, please contact Rick Churchill at 209-745-4535.

Espanol – (Spanish): Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre su agua beber. Tradúzcalo ó hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs and wells. As water travels over the irface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) and the State Department of Health (Department) prescribe regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. Department regulations also establish limits for contaminants in bottled water that provide the same protection for public health.

All drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the USEPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- Microbiological contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, that may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.
- Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, that can be naturally-occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial, or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.
- Pesticides and herbicides, that may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and residential uses.
- Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, that are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, agricultural application, and septic systems.
- Radioactive contaminants, that can be naturallyoccurring or be a result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

## Some people may be more vulnerable to

contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. USEPA/Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by *Cryptosporidium* and other microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

### WATER QUALITY DATA

Toyon Park Water System routinely monitors for constituents in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws. Tables 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 list all of the drinking water contaminants that were detected above the DLR during the most recent sampling for the constituent. The presence of these contaminants in the water does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. The table does not include contaminants that were not detected by laboratory testing. Unless otherwise indicated, the data contained in this report are for the monitoring period of January 1 to December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2012. The Department allows us to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants do not change frequently. Some of the results in this report, though representative, may be more than a year old.

#### TERMS USED IN THIS REPORT:

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL): The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. Primary MCLs are set as close to the PHGs (or MCLGs) as is economically and technologically feasible. Secondary MCLs are set to protect the odor, taste, and appearance of drinking water.

**Primary Drinking Water Standards (PDWS):** MCLs for contaminants that affect health along with their monitoring and reporting requirements, and water treatment requirements.

Secondary Drinking Water Standards (SDWS):

MCLs for contaminants that affect taste, odor, or appearance of the drinking water. Contaminants with SDWSs do not affect the health at the MCL levels.

ND: not detectable at testing limit

ppm: parts per million or milligrams per liter (mg/L)

ppb: parts per billion or micrograms per liter (ug/L)

pCi/L: picocuries per liter (a measure of radiation)

**Public Health Goal (PHG):** The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. PHGs are set by the California Environmental Protection Agency.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG): The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs are set by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA).

**Treatment Technique (TT):** A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water

Regulatory Action Level (AL): The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

Variances and Exemptions: Department permission to exceed an MCL or not comply with a treatment technique under certain conditions.

**DLR**: Detection Limit for purposes of Reporting. The DLR is set by state regulation for each reportable analyte.

Table 1 – Sampling Results Showing The Detection Of Coliform Bacteria						
Microbiological Contaminants	Highest No. of detections	No. of months in violation	MCL	MCLG	Typical source of Bacteria	
Total Coliform Bacteria	(In a mo.) none	None	More than 1 sample in a month with a detection	0	Naturally present in the environment	
Fecal coliform or E. coli	(In the yr) none	None	A routine sample and a repeat sample detect total coliform and either sample also detects fecal coliform of <i>E.coli</i>	0	Human and animal fecal waste	

Water systems are required to meet a strict standard for coliform bacteria. Coliform bacteria are usually harmless, but their presence in water can be an indication of disease-causing bacteria. When coliform bacteria are found, special follow-up tests are done to determine if harmful bacteria are present in the water supply. If the standard is exceeded, the water supplier must notify the public. Toyon Park Water System is pleased to inform you, no coliform bacteria were detected in any of the monthly distribution samples.

Table 2 - Sampling Results Showing The Detection Of Lead And Copper Sampling Date: 11/08/2012 90<sup>th</sup> No. of No. Sites samples Lead and Copper percentile exceeding AL PHG collected Typical Source of level AL Contamination detected Internal corrosion of household Lead (ppb) 7 12 plumbing systems, erosion of None 15 2 natural deposits. Internal corrosion of household Copper (ppm) 7 0.64 None plumbing systems; erosion of 1.3 0.17 natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives.

Note: 90th percentile level detected for 7 sites is the average of the 2 highest detections

Lead - If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Toyon Park Water System is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <a href="http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead">http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead</a>.

Table 3 – Sampling Results For Sodium and Hardness							
Chemical or Constituent (reporting units)	Sample Date	Average Level Detected	Range of Detections	PHG (MCLG)	MCL	Typical Source of Contamination	
Sodium (ppm)	05/05/05	10.3	NA	попе	none	Generally found in ground and surface water	
Hardness (ppm)	05/05/05	111	NA	попе	none	Generally found in ground and surface water	

Chemical or Constituent	Violation Y/N	Average Level Detected	Range of Detections	Units	MCLG/PHG	MCL	king Water Standard  Typical Source of Contaminant
Arsenic Well 3: qrtly 2008 Well 1: qrtly 2009	N	1.2	ND - 2.9	ppb	NA / 0.004	10	Erosion of natural deposits; runoff from orchards; glass and electronics production wastes
Fluoride Well 3: 3/08/06 Well 1: 4/16/09	N	170	140 - 200	ppb	NA / 1000	2000	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Nitrate, as NO3 sampled 2/08/12	N	15.7	3.4 - 28	ppm	NA / 45	45	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits
Volatile Organi	c Contam	inants					natural deposits
1,1-Dichloroethene 31 3: 4/10/07	N	0.52	NA	ppb	NA / 10	6	Discharge from industrial chemical factories

Table 5 - Detection Of Contaminants With A <u>Secondary Drinking Water Standard</u> (a)

Well #3 Sampling Date: 05/05/2005

Chemical or Constituent	Violation Y/N	Average Level Detected	Range of Detections	Units	MCLG/PHG	MCL	Typical Source of Contaminant
Chloride	N	8.5	NÀ	ppm	NA	500	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits sea water influence
Color	N	3	NA	Color Units	NA	15	Naturally-occurring organic materials
Conductivity	N	299	NA	Micro- mhos per cm	NA	1600	Substances that form ions when in water; sea water influence
Corrosivity	N	-1.28	NA	Langlier Index	NA	Non- corrosive	Naturally or industrially-influenced balance of hydrogen, carbon and oxygen in the water; affected by temperature and other factors.
Iron	Υ*	320	NA	ppb	NA	300	Leaching from natural deposits; industrial wastes
Odor Threshold	N	1.0	NA	Units	NA	3	Naturally-occurring organic compounds
Sulfate	N	18	NA	ppm	NA	500	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; industrial wastes
Total Dissolved Solids Well 3: 05/05/05 Well 1: 11/08/12	N	205	173 - 238	ppm	NA	1000	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits
Turbidity	N	2.1	NA	Units	NA	5	Soil runoff
Zinc  *Any violation of a	N N	380	NA	ppb	NA	5000	Runoff/leaching from natural deposits; industrial wastes

<sup>\*</sup>Any violation of an MCL or AL is asterisked. Additional information regarding the violation is provided below.

Iron MCL violation - "Iron was found at a level that exceed the secondary MCL. This MCL was set to protect you against unpleasant aesthetic effects such as color, taste, odor and the staining of plumbing fixtures (e.g., tubs and sinks), and clothing while washing. The high iron level is due to leaching of natural deposits."

MCL's are set at very stringent levels. To understand the possible health effects described for many regulated constituents, a person would have to drink 2 liters of water every day at the MCL level for a lifetime to have a one-in-a-million chance of having the described health effect.

<sup>(</sup>a) There are no PHGs, MCLGs, or mandatory standard health effects language for constituents with secondary drinking water standards because secondary MCLs are set on the basis of aesthetics.

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### **ATTACHMENT 6**

### Consumer Confidence Report Certification Form (Calendar Year 2012)

(to be submitted with a copy of the CCR)

Wate	r Syste	m Name: Toyon Pa	rk Water System						
Wate	r Syste	m Number: PWSID (	05-00-039						
Furth	er, the	system certifies that the	istomers (and appropriate	mer Confidence Report was distributed on notices of availability have been given). he report is correct and consistent with the ment of Health Services.					
Certified by: Name:		: Name:	Rick Churchill, Water Operator,						
Signat		Signature:	Rick Church	fill					
Title:		Title:	System Operator						
		Phone Number:	( 209 ) 763-2608	Date: 2-15-13					
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		Posting the CCR on the Internet at www							
		Mailing the CCR to po	ailing the CCR to postal patrons within the service area (attach zip codes used)						
		Advertising the availability of the CCR in news media (attach copy of press release)							
		Publication of the CCR in a local newspaper of general circulation (attach a copy of the published notice, including name of newspaper and date published)							
		Posted the CCR in public places (attach a list of locations)							
		Delivery of multiple copies of CCR to single bill addresses serving several persons, such as apartments, businesses, and schools							
		Delivery to community	organizations (attach a list	of organizations)					
	For systems serving at least 100,000 persons: Posted CCR on a publicly-accessible internet site at the following address: www								
				California Public Utilities Commission					
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